

Meeting Minutes of:
ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH
PERINATAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING (PAC)

December 15, 2016
1:00 p.m. until 3:00 p.m.

George W. Dunne Building 69 West Washington, 35th Floor Chicago, IL	IDPH Offices 535 West Jefferson, 5th Floor Springfield, IL
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Attendees

Members in Attendance	Guests and IDPH
Beau Batton Bree Andrews Richard Besinger (Phone) Jennifer Brandenburg Lori Filock Janet Hoffman (Phone) Robin Jones Omar LaBlanc Phyllis Lawlor-Klean (Phone) Stephen Locher Lisa Masinter (Phone) Cindy Mitchell Jared Rogers (Phone) Phil Schaefer Howard Strassner Yesenia Yopez Maripat Zeschke	Tanya Dworkin, IDPH Trishna Harris, IDPH Miranda Scott, IDPH Alexander Smith, IDPH Amanda Bennett, IDPH Shannon Lightner, IDPH Andrea Palmer, IDPH Trish O'Malley Bernadette Taylor Andrea Cross Pat Mitchell Angela Rodriguez Lance Kovacs Debbie Schy Melissa Zahnd Cecilia Lopez Corinne Ricca Dennis Crouse Raye Ann deRegnier Robyn Gude Jennifer Carlson (Phone) Jodi Hoskins (Phone) [Unity Point – Administration]
	Members Not In Attendance
	Mike Farrell William Grobman (excused) Jean Kosmatka (excused) Mark Loafman (excused) Linda Wheal (excused)

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Motions

1. **Motion to approve minutes from October 2016.**
 - 1st Stephen Locher, 2nd Phil Schaefer, Unanimous Yes
2. **Motion to close the meeting to discuss the hospital coming before the committee.**
 - 1st Bree Andrews, 2nd Cindy Mitchell, Unanimous Yes.
3. **Motion to recommend to the Department that Unity Point Methodist be denied an increase in designation to Perinatal Level II with extended capabilities.**
 - 1st Robin Jones, 2nd Stephen Locher, 10 Yes, 4 No, and 2 Abstaining.
4. **Motion to table SQC and MMRC meeting updates until next meeting (February 2017) and to adjourn.**
 - Unanimous yes.

Introductions

Beau Batton called the meeting to order about 1:00 P.M. and we went around the room to introduce them

Minutes

The minutes from October 2016 were approved.

Agenda Items

1. IDPH Update

NAS Committee

- Shannon Lightner, Deputy Director of the Office of Women's Health gave an update around the Neonatal Abstinence Syndrome committee.
- She spoke about PAC and SQC's interest in NAS and invited them to come along to the meeting as they are public meetings.
 - o Q: Is ILPQC (Illinois Perinatal Quality Collaborative) informed about this committee and its efforts?
 - o A: Yes. A few members attend the meetings and even someone from ILPQC is a member on the committee itself.

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Illinois Managed Medicaid

- Shannon is meeting soon with the Medicaid Director concerning transfers and back transfers, paying for transfers outside of MCOs.
- She encouraged PAC members to send any issues/concerns regarding this and how Medicaid ties in with the perinatal system directly to her.
- The Department of Healthcare and Family Services (DHFS) is looking to apply for a waiver to do integrated health homes. Shannon is on the committee that is looking to design them and has been advocating for babies and pregnant women.

IDPH House-Keeping

- Shannon spoke about attendance from each of the committees and that members are subject to dismissal from the PAC if members have missed half of the meetings in a calendar year.
- When sending sensitive documents to the committee over email to make sure that they are password protecting.
- Also be sure not to share documents for committee members outside of the committee until after the meeting has taken place.

Zika Update

- CDC (Centers for Disease Control) came out with some statistics and Illinois only had 82 cases of travel related Zika.
- In the US, 185 Mosquito Born Cases, 4,400 travel related and 1 lab reported.
- There is a lab change in that they will be able to offer home testing.
- Shannon let the committee know that IDPH is still involved in concerted Zika efforts and will rely on PAC if anything comes up.

2. Chair Update

Committee Memberships

- Beau Batton briefly requested that the committee help/give suggestions as to filling vacancies within the committee. It is currently missing:
 - 2 Neonatologists
 - 2 Consumer Representatives
 - 1 Respiratory Therapist
 - 1 Certified Local Health Department Representative

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Levels of Care Next Steps

- With the upcoming changes to the Maternal and Neonatal Levels of Care, the PAC committee is looking to break down the changes and tackle specific issues. Each of the different groups will be chaired by a member from the PAC and will have other interested parties who volunteer to be on specific committees as advisers. IDPH intends to send out a need for members to help look at the framework.
- The framework was passed around and the group and the breakdown is as follows:
 - Looking at Site Visit processes.
 - Standards for Levels I and II
 - Standards for Levels III and IV
 - Transfers
 - Designation, ReDesignation, and Transfers of Network.
 - TBD. Just in case something comes up or hasn't been thought of.
- Q: How does group 1 (Site Visit) related to group 5 (designation, redes., etc.)?
- A: Group 1 is more the technical side and Group 5 is the criteria for designations, redesignations, and transfers of networks.
- Some IDPH thoughts on the matter were:
 - 6-8 voting members per group. Since the meetings will be subject to open meetings it will be easier to manage the needed quorum for votes.
 - A PAC member will chair each group and give updates so there isn't intersection, duplicating efforts, or conflicts in decisions.
 - Thinking that at minimum each group should meet every other month for a year, unless they decide to meet more frequently.
 - Get meeting and agenda to Alex Smith in advance (72 hours to meet Open Meetings code), Votes must have a quorum of members, meetings are to be held in a public space or a publicly accessibly dial number.
 - Public can come and give input, but ultimately recommendations will come from voting members.
- Volunteers to submit their CV/Resume to Shannon Lightner
- Groups will come up with recommendations to PAC and these groups should not come up with the precise rule language.
- After IDPH completes the rule language, they will reach back out to PAC and stakeholders for comment/feedback.
- Bree Andrews suggested an implementation group.
- Q: How many other states have adopted them?
- A: Not as many have a structured regionalized system like Illinois does. About a half dozen have started the process to change, but none are fully implemented.

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3. Old Business

- None at the moment.

4. New Business

- None

5. Committee Updates

Maternal Mortality Review Committee

- Update tabled until next meeting.

Statewide Quality Council

- Update tabled until next meeting.

Hospital Facilities Designation

- Facilities had discussions on policy of chairs of neonatology for Level II+'s and Level III's
- A majority of the Facilities meeting surrounded Unity Point Methodist coming before the committee to request moving from a Level II facility to a Level II+.
- Bree Andrews motioned to close the meeting, Cindy Mitchell seconded. With a unanimous decision the PAC meeting was then closed at 1:58 PM.
- The meeting reopened with the motion from Facilities meeting that they did not recommend the hospital be designated as a II+ facility. There were three areas that made the facilities committee not recommend the hospital as a II+:
 - Lack of experience in nursing staff who had worked in a Level II+ or III.
 - Lack of respiratory therapy staff with experience in a Level II+ or III.
 - Concerns about the call schedule and doctor availability.
- The Facilities committee commended their efforts since the last time the hospital came before the committee in June, but had felt that the full results had not yet been achieved.
- They also questioned the essentiality and need for resources of a hospital with such a close proximity to a Level III hospital.
- Robin Jones motioned to accept the recommendation from the Facilities committee with Stephen Locher as a second. There was 10 yes, 4 no, and 2 abstentions. The motion passed.
- The hospital believed that provided the proper documentation along with biosketches of staff that was requested at the June 2016 meeting
- The hospital also wanted it noted that they believed there were two members in the facilities discussion with an economic and competitive conflict of interest pertaining to the hospital.
- The hospital said that community need is not laid out in the rules to be a Level II+ so that shouldn't be a concern. They also listed all the education efforts that they had done in

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preparation for the move to a Level II+, especially within the last half year since they came before the committee previously.

- IDPH informed the hospital that the PAC is a recommendation body to the Director. The Director is the one who will review all the materials and then will make the final decision.

Closing

Unanimous vote to close the meeting and table the SQC and MMRC committee updates until the next meeting.